

SENATE BILL 4050  
By Bryson

AN ACT to amend Chapter 79 of the Acts of 1903, as amended and rewritten by Chapter 126 of the Private Acts of 1967, as amended by Chapter 303 of the Private Acts of 1980, Chapter 45 of the Private Acts of 1987, Chapter 216 of the Private Acts of 1988, Chapter 81 of the Private Acts of 1989, Chapter 152 of the Private Acts of 1990, Chapter 5 of the Private Acts of 1999, and any other acts amendatory thereto, relative to the charter of the City of Franklin.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Chapter 79 of the Acts of 1903, as amended and rewritten by Chapter 126 of the Private Acts of 1967, as amended by Chapter 5 of the Private Acts of 1999, and any other acts amendatory thereto, is amended in Article III by deleting Section 1 in its entirety and substituting instead the following:

Section 1. Regular Elections. A regular city election will be held every two (2) years on the fourth Tuesday in October.

SECTION 2. Chapter 79 of the Acts of 1903, as amended and rewritten by Chapter 126 of the Private Acts of 1967, as amended by Chapter 216 of the Private Acts of 1988, Chapter 152 of the Private Acts of 1990, and any other acts amendatory thereto, is amended in Article III, Section 7 by deleting from the fourth sentence the language "an affirmative vote of a majority of the mayor and/or aldermen whose terms are not expiring and the mayor and/or aldermen elect" and by substituting instead the language "any electoral method provided under state law; however, when there is such a tie in a race for a ward alderman position, preference shall be given to a run-off election by qualified voters in that ward".

SECTION 3. Chapter 79 of the Acts of 1903, as amended and rewritten by Chapter 126 of the Private Acts of 1967, as amended by Chapter 152 of the Private Acts of 1990, and any

other acts amendatory thereto, is amended in Article IV by deleting Section 3 in its entirety and substituting instead the following:

Section 3. Term of Office. The mayor and aldermen shall serve staggered four (4) year terms, with elections to be held every two (2) years. They shall serve during their terms of office or until their successors are elected and qualified.

SECTION 4. Chapter 79 of the Acts of 1903, as amended and rewritten by Chapter 126 of the Private Acts of 1967, and any other acts amendatory thereto, is amended in Article VI, Section 2(c) by deleting the second sentence in its entirety and by substituting instead the following language:

In emergencies the mayor is empowered to call to his or her aid every inhabitant of the city in such enforcement and the Board may prescribe penalties for a failure to obey such call.

SECTION 5. Chapter 79 of the Acts of 1903, as amended and rewritten by Chapter 126 of the Private Acts of 1967, as amended by Chapter 45 of the Private Acts of 1987, and any other acts amendatory thereto, is amended in Article VII, Section 4 by adding the following new language at the end of the section:

The City Administrator or City Recorder may perform the duties of the Treasurer.

SECTION 6. Chapter 79 of the Acts of 1903, as amended and rewritten by Chapter 126 of the Private Acts of 1967, as amended by Chapter 303 of the Private Acts of 1980, and any other acts amendatory thereto, is amended in Article X, Section 4 by deleting the second and third paragraphs in their entirety.

SECTION 7. This act shall have no effect unless it is approved by a two-thirds (2/3) vote of the legislative body of the City of Franklin. Its approval or nonapproval shall be proclaimed by the presiding officer of the City of Franklin and certified to the secretary of state.

SECTION 8. For the purpose of approving or rejecting the provisions of this act, it shall be effective upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring it. For all other purposes, it shall become effective as provided in Section 7.